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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF

Ms. Julie O'Keefe Armstrong Teasdale, LLP One Metropolitan Square, Suite 2600 St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Re: Sauget Area 2 Interim Goundwater Remedy UAO Request for an Extension

Dear Ms. O'Keefe:

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 10, 2003, in which you, on behalf of a group of Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs) named in the Sauget Area 2 interim goundwater remedy Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO), request 30-day extension to the extended deadline date for submittal of each party's "intent to comply." Given the facts and circumstances of this case and the reports of progress in the PRP's internal discussions, the Superfund Division hereby extends for a second and final time the requesting parties' "intent to comply" response date under the UAO to February 14, 2003.

As with the first extension, this extension does not affect the effective date of the Order for Solutia, Inc., which has indicated its intent to comply with the terms of the UAO. As such, the Environmental Protection Agency has and will continue to require work to proceed in accordance with the Order and Statement of Work.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please call Nabil Fayoumi of my staff at 312-886-6840 or Thomas J. Martin of the Office of Regional Counsel at 312-886-4273.

Sincerely,

William E. Muno, Director

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Superfund Division

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